

December 15, 2021

CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXASUNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
SAN ANTONIO DIVISIONBY: Jaemie Herndon
DEPUTY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Case Number: 5:19-CR-00905-FB(1)
USM Number: 44353-480

v.

CHRISTOPHER FELIX MONTOYA

Alias(es):Montoya, Christopher Felix J.
Montoya, C. Felix James
Felix, Christopher M.
Montoya, Christopher Felix James
Montoya, Christopher Felix

Defendant.

JUDGMENT IN A CRIMINAL CASE
(For Offenses Committed On or After November 1, 1987)

The defendant, CHRISTOPHER FELIX MONTOYA, was represented by Alan Brown, Esq.

Upon motion by the United States, the Court dismissed the remaining count(s) as to this defendant.

The defendant pled guilty to **Count One (1) of the Indictment** on July 7, 2021. Accordingly, the defendant is adjudged guilty of such Count(s), involving the following offense(s):

<u>Title & Section</u>	<u>Nature of Offense</u>	<u>Offense Ended</u>	<u>Count</u>
18 U.S.C. § 371	Conspiracy to Defraud the United States by Paying and Receiving Healthcare Kickbacks	06/30/2019	One (1)

As pronounced on November 30, 2021, the defendant is sentenced as provided in pages 2 through 6 of this Judgment. The sentence is imposed pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984.

It is further ordered that the defendant shall notify the United States Attorney for this district within 30 days of any change of name, residence, or mailing address until all fines, restitution, costs, and special assessments imposed by this judgment are fully paid. If ordered to pay restitution, the defendant must notify the Court and United States Attorney of material changes in economic circumstances.

SIGNED this 15th day of December, 2021.


FRED BIERY
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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IMPRISONMENT

The defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the Federal Bureau of Prisons to be imprisoned for a total term of **eighteen (18) months as to count one (1) with credit for time served while in custody for this federal offense pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3585(b). This term of imprisonment to run consecutively to the term imposed in case #5:20-CR-00095.**

The defendant shall surrender for service of sentence at the institution designated by the Bureau of Prisons at or before 2:00 PM when notified to report by the United States Pretrial Services. However, the defendant shall not be required to report prior to February 07, 2022.

RETURN

I have executed this judgment as follows:

Defendant delivered on _____ to _____
at _____, with a certified copy of this judgment.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL

By
DEPUTY UNITED STATES MARSHAL

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SUPERVISED RELEASE

Upon release from imprisonment, **the defendant shall be on supervised release for a term of three (3) years. This term of supervised release to run concurrently to the term imposed in case #5:20-CR-00095.**

While on supervised release, the defendant shall comply with the mandatory, standard and if applicable, the special conditions that have been adopted by this Court, and shall comply with the following additional conditions:

1. The defendant shall provide the probation officer with access to any requested financial information and authorize the release of any financial information. The probation office may share financial information with the U.S. Attorney's Office.
2. The defendant and Nancy Almaguer shall jointly and severally pay restitution that is imposed by this judgment that remains unpaid at the commencement of the term of supervised release in 5:19CR00905.
3. If the defendant is unable to pay the Special assessment and Restitution immediately, the defendant shall pay the entire amount of the Special assessment and Restitution at the rate of no less than \$100 per month, due by the third day of each month beginning upon the commencement of supervision. The Court imposed payment schedule shall not prevent statutorily authorized collection efforts by the U.S. Attorney. The defendant shall cooperate fully with the U.S. Attorney and the U.S. Probation Office to make payment in full as soon as possible.
4. The defendant shall participate in a mental health treatment program and follow the rules and regulations of that program. The probation officer, in consultation with the treatment provider, shall supervise participation in the program (provider, location, modality, duration, intensity, etc.). The defendant shall pay the costs of such treatment if financially able.
5. The defendant shall take all mental health medications that are prescribed by the treating physician.
6. The defendant shall not be permitted to write prescriptions during the term of supervision.
7. The defendant shall not practice or be employed as a Physician's Assistant without a license or be employed in the healthcare field.

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CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION

Mandatory Conditions:

- 1) The defendant shall not commit another federal, state, or local crime during the term of supervision.
- 2) The defendant shall not unlawfully possess a controlled substance.
- 3) The defendant shall refrain from any unlawful use of a controlled substance. The defendant shall submit to one drug test within 15 days of release on probation or supervised release and at least two periodic drug tests thereafter (as determined by the court), but the condition stated in this paragraph may be ameliorated or suspended by the court if the defendant's presentence report or other reliable sentencing information indicates low risk of future substance abuse by the defendant.
- 4) The defendant shall cooperate in the collection of DNA as instructed by the probation officer, if the collection of such a sample is authorized pursuant to section 3 of the DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. § 14135a).
- 5) If applicable, the defendant shall comply with the requirements of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (42 U.S.C. § 16901, *et. seq.*) as instructed by the probation officer, the Bureau of Prisons, or any state sex offender registration agency in which the defendant resides, works, is a student, or was convicted of a qualifying offense.
- 6) If convicted of a domestic violence crime as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 3561(b), the defendant shall participate in an approved program for domestic violence.
- 7) If the judgment imposes restitution, the defendant shall pay the ordered restitution in accordance with 18 U.S.C. §§ 2248, 2259, 2264, 2327, 3663, 3663A, and 3664. (*if applicable*)
- 8) The defendant shall pay the assessment imposed in accordance with 18 U.S.C. § 3013.
- 9) If the judgment imposes a fine, it is a condition of supervision that the defendant, pay in accordance with the Schedule of Payments sheet of the judgment.
- 10) The defendant shall notify the court of any material change in the defendant's economic circumstances that might affect the defendant's ability to pay restitution, fines or special assessments.

Standard Conditions:

- 1) The defendant shall report to the probation office in the federal judicial district where he or she is authorized to reside within seventy-two (72) hours of release from imprisonment, unless the probation officer instructs the defendant to report to a different probation office or within a different time frame.
- 2) After initially report to the probation office, the defendant will receive instructions from the court or the probation officer about how and when to report to the probation officer, and the defendant shall report to the probation officer as instructed.
- 3) The defendant shall not knowingly leave the federal judicial district where he or she is authorized to reside without first getting permission from the court or the probation officer.
- 4) The defendant shall answer truthfully the questions asked by the probation officer.
- 5) The defendant shall live at a place approved by the probation officer. If the defendant plans to change where he or she lives or anything about his or her living arrangements (such as the people the defendant lives with), the defendant shall notify the probation officer at least ten (10) days before the change. If notifying the probation officer in advance is not possible due to unanticipated circumstances, the defendant shall notify the probation officer within seventy-two (72) hours of becoming aware of a change or expected change.
- 6) The defendant shall allow the probation officer to visit the defendant at any time at his or her home or elsewhere, and the defendant shall permit the probation officer to take any items prohibited by the conditions of the defendant's supervision that are observed in plain view.

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- 7) The defendant shall work full time (at least 30 hours per week) at a lawful type of employment, unless the probation officer excuses the defendant from doing so. If the defendant does not have full-time employment, he or she shall try to find full-time employment, unless the probation officer excuses the defendant from doing so. If the defendant plans to change where the defendant works or anything about his or her work (such as the position or job responsibilities), the defendant shall notify the probation officer at least ten (10) days before the change. If notifying the probation officer at least ten (10) days in advance is not possible due to unanticipated circumstances, the defendant shall notify the probation officer within seventy-two (72) hours of becoming aware of a change or expected change.
- 8) The defendant shall not communicate or interact with someone the defendant knows is engaged in criminal activity. If the defendant knows someone has been convicted of a felony, the defendant shall not knowingly communicate or interact with that person without first getting the permission of the probation officer.
- 9) If the defendant is arrested or questioned by a law enforcement officer, the defendant shall notify the probation officer within seventy-two (72) hours.
- 10) The defendant shall not own, possess, or have access to a firearm, ammunition, destructive device, or dangerous weapon (i.e., anything that was designed, or was modified, for the specific purpose of causing bodily injury or death to another person such as nunchakus or tasers).
- 11) The defendant shall not act or make any agreement with a law enforcement agency to act as a confidential human source or informant without first getting the permission of the court.
- 12) If the probation officer determines that the defendant poses a risk to another person (including an organization), the probation officer may require the defendant to notify the person about the risk and the defendant shall comply with that instruction. The probation officer may contact the person and confirm that the defendant has notified the person about the risk.
- 13) The defendant shall follow the instructions of the probation officer related to the conditions of supervision.
- 14) If the judgment imposes other criminal monetary penalties, it is a condition of supervision that the defendant pays such penalties in accordance with the Schedule of Payments sheet of the judgment.
- 15) If the judgment imposes a fine, special assessment, restitution, or other criminal monetary penalties, it is a condition of supervision that the defendant shall provide the probation officer access to any requested financial information.
- 16) If the judgment imposes a fine, special assessment, restitution, or other criminal monetary penalties, it is a condition of supervision that the defendant shall not incur any new credit charges or open additional lines of credit without the approval of the probation officer, unless the defendant is in compliance with the payment schedule.
- 17) If the defendant is excluded, deported, or removed upon release on probation or supervised release, the term of supervision shall be a non-reporting term of probation or supervised release. The defendant shall not illegally re-enter the United States. If the defendant is released from confinement or not deported, or lawfully re-enters the United States during the term of probation or supervised release, the defendant shall immediately report to the nearest U.S. Probation Officer.

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CRIMINAL MONETARY PENALTIES/SCHEDULE

The defendant shall pay the following total criminal monetary penalties in accordance with the schedule of payments set forth. Unless the Court has expressly ordered otherwise, if this judgment imposes imprisonment, payment of criminal monetary penalties is due during the period of imprisonment. Criminal Monetary Penalties, except those payments made through Federal Bureau of Prisons' Inmate Financial Responsibility Program, shall be paid through the Clerk, United States District Court, Attn: Mail Log, **262 West Nueva Street, San Antonio, TX 78207** or online by Debit (credit cards not accepted) or ACH payment (direct from Checking or Savings Account) through Pay.gov (link accessible on the landing page of the U.S. District Court's Website). **Your mail-in or online payment must include your case number in the exact format of DTXW519CR00905-001 to ensure proper application to your criminal monetary penalty.** The defendant shall receive credit for all payments previously made toward any criminal monetary penalties imposed.

	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Fine</u>	<u>Restitution</u>
TOTALS	\$100.00	\$.00	\$52,604.52

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

It is ordered that the defendant shall pay to the United States a special assessment of \$100.00. Payment of this sum shall begin immediately

FINE

The fine is waived because of the defendant's inability to pay.

RESTITUTION – JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY

The defendant shall pay restitution in the amount of \$52,604.52 through the Clerk, U.S. District Court, for distribution to the payee(s). Payment of this sum shall begin immediately. Defendant Christopher Montoya will owe the victim(s) jointly and severally with co-defendant(s) Nancy Almaguer. No further payment shall be required after the sum of the amounts actually paid by the defendant(s)/participant(s) has fully covered all compensable injuries.

The Court directs the United States Probation Office to provide personal identifier information of victims by submitting a "reference list" under seal Pursuant to E-Government Act of 2002" to the District Clerk within ten (10) days after the criminal Judgment has been entered.

<u>Name of Payee</u>	<u>Amount of Restitution</u>
Medicare	\$46,651.89
Attn: Veronica Moore	
CMS: Division of Accounting	
P.O. Box 7520	
Baltimore, MD 21207-0520	
TRICARE	<u>\$5,952.63</u>
Defense Health Agency	Total: \$52,604.52
Resource Management Division	
ATTN: Contract Resource Management	
16401 East Centretch Parkway	
Aurora, CO 80011-9043	
DHA TIN: 84-1464956	

If the defendant makes a partial payment, each payee shall receive an approximately proportioned payment, unless specified otherwise in the priority order or percentage payment column above. However, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3664(f), all non-federal victims must be paid before the United States is paid.

If the fine is not paid, the court may sentence the defendant to any sentence which might have been originally imposed. See 18 U.S.C. §3614.

The defendant shall pay interest on any fine or restitution of more than \$2,500.00, unless the fine or restitution is paid in full before the fifteenth day after the date of the judgment, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3612(f). All payment options may be subject to penalties for delinquency and default, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3612(g).

Payments shall be applied in the following order: (1) assessment, (2) restitution principal, (3) restitution interest, (4) fine principal, (5) community restitution, (6) fine interest, (7) penalties, and (8) costs, including cost of prosecution and court costs.

Findings for the total amount of losses are required under Chapters 109A, 110, 110A, and 113A of Title 18 for offenses committed on or after September 13, 1994, but before April 23, 1996.